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Sir:

Applicants thank the Examiner for his time in discussing the present application on September 23, 2004. In response to the Office Action mailed September 9, 2004 on the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A petition for a two-month extension of time accompanies this response.

Amendments to the Specification are provided on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.